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SUBJ: US STATEMENT PROTESTING PLO PARTICIPATION IN  
SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE ON OCCUPIED TERRITORIES,  
NOV 1

1. AMB BENNETT DELIVERED U.S. STATEMENT (PARA 3) CALLING  
FOR VOTE ON PROPOSAL TO INVITE PLO OBSERVER TO TAKE PART IN  
SC DEBATE ON NOVEMBER 1. VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH RESULTS:  
11-1(US)-3 (UK, FRANCE, AND ITALY). SWEDISH PERMREP READ  
BRIEF EXPLANATION OF VOTE STATEMENT, NOTING THAT SWEDISH  
GOVERNMENT RECOGNITION OF LEGITIMATE NATIONAL INTEREST OF  
PALESTINIAN ARABS INCLUDES RECOGNITION OF THEIR RIGHT TO BE  
HEARD IN INTERNATIONAL DEBATES. SWEDISH STATEMENT CONCLUDED  
THAT DECISION BY SC TO LET ONE PARTY TO A CONFLICT, WHICH  
IS NOT A STATE, PARTICIPATE IN THE SC DEBATES IMPLIES  
AN EXPECTATION THAT THIS PARTY ACCEPT THE SAME RESPONSIBILITIES  
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OF A MEMBER STATE, THAT IS TO RESPECT THE SOVEREIGNTY

AND INTEGRITY OF MEMBER STATES AND TO REFRAIN FROM  
THREAT OR USE OF FORCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

2. SOVIET DEPUTY PERMREP OVINNIKOV ASKED FOR FLOOR TO  
COMPLAIN THAT THE VOTE ON SEATING THE PLO, RESULTING  
FROM U.S. INSISTENCE, WAS WITHOUT PRACTICAL OR POLITICAL  
SENSE. OVINNIKOV ADDED THAT U.S. STUBBORNNESS IN CALLING  
FOR A VOTE IS NEGATIVE AS IT IS WIDELY UNDERSTOOD MIDDLE  
EAST SETTLEMENT CANNOT TAKE PLACE WITHOUT PEOPLE OF  
PALESTINE . . . . "THE SOONER THE U.S. UNDERSTANDS  
THIS THE BETTER IT WILL BE." (NOTE: OVINNIKOV'S TERSE  
REMARKS MAY NOT BE UNRELATED TO SOVIET REACTION TO THE U.S.  
POSITION ON THE QUESTION OF THE SOVIET NON-USE OF FORCE  
INITIATIVE.)

3. STATE MENT:

QUOTE MR. PRESIDENT,

MY DELEGATION IS NOT ABLE TO AGREE TO YOUR PROPOSAL TO  
INVITE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION  
IN THE DEBATE OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL WITH THE SAME  
RIGHTS OF PARTICIPATION AS A MEMBER STATE WOULD HAVE  
UNDER RULE 37 OF OUR RULES OF PROCEDURE.

WE REALIZE THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED THIS  
PROCEDURE ON FOUR OCCASIONS THIS YEAR BUT WE CONTINUE TO  
BELIEVE IT IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE RULES OF PROCEDURE.  
THE U.S. WOULD NOT OBJECT TO THE COUNCIL'S GRANTING THE  
PLO A HEARING UNDER RULE 39; THAT WOULD BE THE CORRECT  
PROCEDURE, IT IS A PROCEDURE THAT HAS BEEN USED OVER THIRTY YEARS  
ON SIMILAR OCCASIONS.

FOR THESE REASONS, THE UNITED STATES REQUESTS THAT THIS  
PROPOSAL BE PUT TO A VOTE.

THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. UNQUOTE  
BENNETT

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